

APPENDICES

in the colonies must be a preparation for the coming over of the national armies to the side of the workers' and peasants' and the side of the armed forces of the latter.

The struggle against the colonial policy of Social Democracy looked upon by the Communist Party as an organic constituent part of the struggle against imperialism. The Second International. The position adopted on the colonial question at its last Congress in Brussels, has given sanction to what was already the practical activity of the socialist parties of the imperialist countries during the post-war years. The colonial policy of Social Democracy is a policy of support of imperialism in the exploitation and oppression of the colonial peoples. It has officially adopted the point of view which lies at the basis of the organisation of the "League of Nations", according to which the ruling classes of the developed capitalist countries have the "right" to rule over the majority of the peoples of the globe and to subject these peoples to a cruel regime of exploitation and enslavement.

In order to deceive a portion of the working class and to secure its co-operation in the maintenance of the colonial regime of plunder, Social democracy, in the most shameful and repulsive manner, defends the exploits of imperialism in the colonies. It conceals the real content of the capitalist colonial system, it wilfully ignores the connection between colonial policy and the danger of a new imperialist war which is threatening the proletariat and toiling masses of the whole world. The indignation of the colonial peoples finds vent in the emancipatory struggle against imperialism, Social Democracy, notwithstanding its lying phrases, in practice, always stands on the side of the imperialist executioners of the resolution. During the last few years, the socialist parties of all the capitalist countries have been voting for the credits which the Governments of these countries demand for the earning on of war against the colonial peoples struggling for their freedom (Morocco, Syria, Indonesia), they themselves take a direct part in the business of colonial exploitation (French Socialists act as governors in the colonies by appointment of imperialist

Governments, the
 socialist co-operatives of Belgium participate in colonial
 enterprises for the
 exploitation of the Negro population of the Congo), and
 they approve of
 the most cruel measures for the suppression of colonial
 uprisings, defence
 by the leaders of the British Labour Party of intervention in
 China, the ac-
 tivity of the Dutch Socialist Party in defence of the
 suppression of the
 insurrection in Indonesia). The Social Democratic theory,
 alleging that the
 capitalist colonial regime can be reformed and converted
 into a "good
 colonial regime", is a mask behind which the Social
 Democrats attempt to
 conceal their true social-imperialist character. The
 Communists must tear
 this mask from them and demonstrate to the toiling masses
 of the imperialist
 countries that the socialist parties are the collaborators and
 direct accomplices of imperialist colonial policy, that they have in this
 sphere betrayed in